

**Andrew Jackson to Rachel Donelson Jackson, February 10, 1818, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson.  
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**TO MRS. JACKSON.**

Fort Hawkins, February 10, 1818.

*My Love.* I reached this place last evening, and tomorrow proceed to Hartford,<sup>1</sup> I have not heard from the Tennessee Troops, on them with the regulars I rely to put an end to the Indian war, the Georgia militia having returned home. Genl Gaines has made another requisition which is to rendezvous on the 15th Instant at Hartford, but from the spirit that prevails, and common rumor, I have little expectation of many of those drafts being got to the field. Georgia at present does not display much Patriotism. Tell my son pappa will expect him to be able to write him a letter before long and kiss him and little Andrew for me—<sup>2</sup> and accept my prayers for your health and happiness untill I return—present me affectionately to all friends and say to Colo. Hays Colo Butler enjoys good health. I am your affectionate Husband.

1 An extinct town of Georgia, then the county seat of Pulaski County, 40 miles below Macon.

2 Meaning, apparently, the two nephews of Mrs. Jackson, Andrew Jackson, jr., the adopted son, and Andrew Jackson Donelson.